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# QUEENSWAY HOMES PLAN

by Michael Cox

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AROUND 1,600 homes could be included in a major regeneration scheme in Southend as a preferred bidder was revealed.

Southend Council said Swan Housing Association is its desired choice to deliver the Better Queensway project.

The regeneration of the Queensway estate in Southend includes demolishing the tower blocks and building new homes, and a boulevard linking the estate with the town and new green spaces.

Deputy council leader James Courtenay said the project is the biggest development in Southend for a generation.

"This is massive. I do not know of any scheme that has happened in my lifetime. The last time the council delivered anything like this was probably the Civic Centre."

An example scheme from Swan as part of the procurement process, included 1,600 homes, with more than 500 deemed as "affordable".

Leader of the opposition, Ian Gilbert, said the Labour group was "disappointed" this does not meet its ambitions for social housing provision.

Cllr Courtenay said he understood where Labour was coming from, adding that the council is "conscious at having genuinely affordable homes".

"I am really keen for the scheme to be deliverable and for us to get on with it and for getting as much



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Cllr James Courtenay



MAJOR REGENERATION: Queensway Estate

affordable housing as we can.

"There is only so much that the scheme can give and, if we push it too far, then the scheme will not happen and it will really be a burden for the taxpayer."

The example scheme also maintains four lanes of traffic running through Queensway, one of the council's requirements.

A report to go before cabinet says Swan has met another council requirement to deliver "appropriate housing offers" to returning Queensway residents.

The Government assigned £15million for the scheme from the Housing Infrastructure Fund last

year. If approved by Swan's board, the cabinet and full council, the council said it would work towards awarding the contract in the spring.

Following this, the joint venture would be created and a full masterplan prepared.

Cllr Courtenay, who hoped for work on the site to start in 2021, said current Queensway residents he had spoken to are "really quite excited" about the scheme.

The council said they will be consulted further about the plans, as well as businesses and stakeholders.

John Synnuck, Swan Housing CEO, said: "I'd like to say to all the residents and local stakeholders

at Queensway, that we are looking forward to working with you to develop a masterplan for Queensway which will make it a great place to live and work and a place where everyone in Southend wants to go. Together with our joint venture partner, Southend Council, we will work with you to transform Queensway from an isolated, and ageing estate into a thriving community right in the centre of Southend."

Recommendations, including the approval of the creation of the joint venture partnership, were due to be discussed by the council's cabinet on Tuesday.

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# One-night snapshot shows 85% fall in rough sleepers

by Michael Cox

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THE NUMBER of rough sleepers recorded in Southend has fallen 85 per cent compared to the previous year, figures show.

Government statistics reveal Southend had a count of just 11 rough sleepers on a one-night snapshot taken in November – more than 60 fewer than in 2017.

The drop represents the second largest of any borough across the country, just behind Brighton and Hove.

Southend Council received almost £1million Government funding last year to tackle the issue, after the borough was ranked ninth in the country for the number of rough sleepers in 2017.

Southend charity HARP, which supports homeless people, said the approach towards rough sleeping had been successful but more work is needed to help those people become fully independent, as well as to prevent homelessness in the first instance.

Charity chief executive, Jackie Bliss,



GOAL: Jackie Bliss, chief executive of charity HARP, which helps the homeless

said: "Eleven people is still 11 too many, and although the majority are now on the first step of their journey away from homelessness, lots of

hard work still needs to be done to get them ready to move on and live independently in the community, which is the ultimate goal."

She said the scale of the fall in rough sleepers was fantastic but warned that the situation "changes every day" and that the figures were only from one night in November.

"We are of course pleased that through strong partnership working and the introduction of innovative new projects funded by central government, we have been able to make a huge difference to the lives of some of the most vulnerable people in our community," she added.

Cllr Tony Cox, cabinet member for adults and housing, said the council is "working tirelessly" with public and charity sector groups to help rough sleepers and measures taken include the Housing, Homelessness and Rough Sleeping Strategy and the launch of a community safety team on the High Street. He said: "We are confident these changes in our approach have had a positive effect and will continue to do so. Whilst it is pleasing to see such a dramatic drop in the figure, we know that there is lots more work yet to be done before we can confidently say we have met the needs of all rough sleepers locally."

## NEWS IN BRIEF

● A MAN was robbed by two men near Shoeburyness train station.

The incident happened in Friars Street at around 6.45pm on Monday, February 4.

The two men, one of whom had a knife, demanded the man's mobile phone and wallet.

The victim, 23, handed over his phone and bank cards but managed to get away after being punched.

The robbers are in their 20s.

One was white, 5ft 8ins and wore a dark hooded coat, while the other was black, about 5ft 4ins, slim and wore dark blue baggy jeans, a hooded top and a hat.

Call Southend CID on 101, quoting reference 42/18963/19, or Crimestoppers anonymously on 0800 555 111.

● LIBRARIES in Southend are looking for volunteers to keep children reading throughout the summer holidays.

Volunteers aged 14 and above are being sought to help library staff sign children up to the Summer Reading Challenge and talk to the youngsters about their books, encouraging them to complete the challenge.

Applications are open from Saturday, February 16 and to apply, visit [www.southend.gov.uk/libraryvolunteers](http://www.southend.gov.uk/libraryvolunteers).

● SOUTHERN Council is offering a second round of funding to individuals and groups wishing to set up events.

It follows a first round of funding last year and caters for different types of projects.

A council spokesman said it expects funding applied for to be matched by other sources.

For more information, visit [www.southend.gov.uk/smallgrants](http://www.southend.gov.uk/smallgrants).

## Missing woman 'seen in Suffolk'

A SIGHTING has been reported of a woman who has been missing from Southend for almost two years, police said.

Patricia Finnie, 65, was last seen in the Kursaal area of Southend at around noon on May 11, 2017.

Essex Police said it received a report that a woman matching Patricia's description was seen near a drawbridge in Lowestoft town centre, Suffolk, at around 1pm on February 3.

A force spokesman said: "Since Patricia Finnie was missing, we have been carrying out a thorough investigation including viewing hours of CCTV

footage, carrying out extensive house-to-house enquiries and phone work, as well as enquiries with bus and rail companies, and a number of media appeals for information."

Patricia is white, 5ft 6ins, of medium build, with straight auburn or grey coloured hair and she wears glasses.

The spokesman added: "We need to speak to anyone who may have seen her or has any information about where she is to call us on 101.

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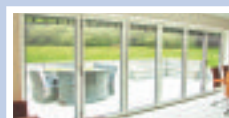


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# All star line-up for rebranded festival

FOLLOWING the news that there will not be a RiZE Festival this year after the 2018 event lost money, the Brentwood Festival has been rebranded.

Brentwood Festival has been hosting successful music events at The Brentwood Centre for nearly a decade. For 2019, the festival will return to the same venue from July 12-14 bigger than ever as Evoke Festival.

This year's line-up will feature the likes of Clean Bandit, who will headline on Sunday, July 14, Jessie J, headliner for the Saturday and Paul Young, who performs on the opening night, Friday July 12, with more announcements to follow.

Evoke Festival director Jason Jopson said of the new look event: "The Brentwood Festival journey so far has been nothing short of amazing.

"Starting at the White Horse Pub with a few bands performing on pallets, to the Brentwood Centre listening to some of our childhood idols, we've enjoyed every second of it.

"In the interest of the future of the festival, I've teamed up with some new partners who will bring with them more incredible acts to keep our loyal attendees entertained all weekend, and ensure the festival you know and love just keeps on growing from strength to strength."

For more information and to book tickets, visit [www.evokefestival.co.uk](http://www.evokefestival.co.uk). Categories are youth (eight to 17),



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SITE: Dennis Baldry, chairman of Southend BID, at the Seaway carpark, Southend

# Business leaders back bid for hotel, cinema and shops

SOUTHEND'S Business Improvement District (BID) has backed plans for a multi-million pound leisure development in the town.

Plans have been submitted by developer Turnstone Estates for a complex including an IMAX cinema, shops, restaurants and a hotel near Southend seafront. The Southend BID carried out a survey among its levy payers

and 63 per cent of businesses who responded were in favour of the plans.

Just over half of the BID's 346 members responded to the survey.

Asked if the vote was a clear mandate to back Turnstone's proposal, Southend BID chairman, Dennis Baldry said: "Given the scale of the support, yes.

"This is a clear indication of the feeling of the levy payers.

"I believe the result shows that our levy payers support the view that this as a major investment in Southend and one that could create hundreds of jobs.

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Finally, one of the nation's leading back pain experts Wendy McCloud who has already helped 1000s of people over the last 12 years with her back-pain recovery advice has released a FREE 10 page **'Back Pain Consumer Awareness'** report, that reveals the best kept secrets on back pain...How to actually get to the bottom of back pain without having to visit the Doctor or needing to take gut rotting painkillers.

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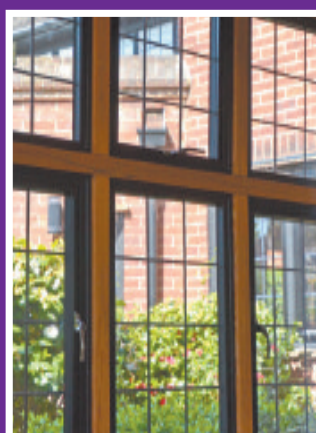
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## Going to that special place in hell

SPEAKING as someone who believes man created God in his own image and saw it was good for controlling the masses, even I was left seething by president of the European Council Donald Tusk's comments last week about there being a special place in hell for the architects of the Brexit campaign.

But this was no spur of the moment outburst. It was a performance - planned and executed with the purpose of insulting not just the likes of Boris, Jacob Rees-Mogg and Nigel Farage, but the 17.4million voters who have had more than enough of being told they didn't understand what they were voting for.

What made it even worse was the sniggering schoolboys act with Tusk and Irish Taoiseach Leo Varadkar immediately after.

Yet look behind the spite and you will see signs of fear as the prospect of leaving the EU without a deal grows.

The UK trading on WTO rules after March 29 would be disastrous for the EU and even worse for Ireland.

For our Government not to have seized upon that and used it in a final push to achieve some sort of plan that will get through Parliament just shows what utterly useless negotiators they have been throughout the entire process.

What Tusk has unwittingly done however, is to make our nation just that little bit less divided. Because like most families, we can say all sorts of things about each other, but woe betide someone else does it.

Now some would mistake that for nationalism... it's not.

The same applies with their treatment of Theresa May. We can say she's a complete waste of space, but that doesn't give the EU a right to treat our prime minister with such a lack of respect. They don't have to respect her - Man knows I don't - but you will damn well respect the job title.

I still think a deal will probably be struck at the eleventh hour. I just hope the Good Friday Agreement does not become a casualty of any deal. That should be sacrosanct and I'm uneasy that it has been used as a political tool by political tools.

■ I have to wonder if the Liam Neeson scandal would have caused such an uproar if we weren't all so desperate to talk about something - anything that isn't Brexit.

I am also undecided over why he opened his mouth at all about it. It was either courageous, as John Barnes has said, or incredibly naive and foolish. I'm leaning towards the latter.

Of course, his intentions

40 years ago are inexcusable, but he's the first to admit that. He described his actions after someone close to him was raped in the 1970s in which he walked the streets with a cosh hoping for an excuse to kill any random black man as primal. He also said upfront that he was utterly ashamed and the point of his confession - which unfortunately came while plugging his latest action movie about revenge - seems to have been that the quest for revenge can turn you into someone you don't identify yourself as.

Now he is being pilloried for something he didn't do all those years ago and for which just by thinking it he is utterly contrite.

I'm all for holding someone to account for things they have done, but we haven't quite yet got to the stage where the thought police are waiting to pounce on anything that goes through your head even when you don't act upon it.

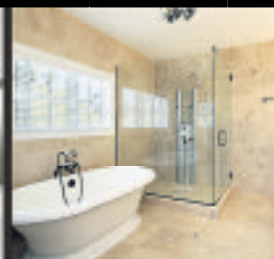
I've certainly entertained the thought of physical violence at times throughout my life. I can't be alone in that. Does the absence of a racial ingredient make it any more acceptable?

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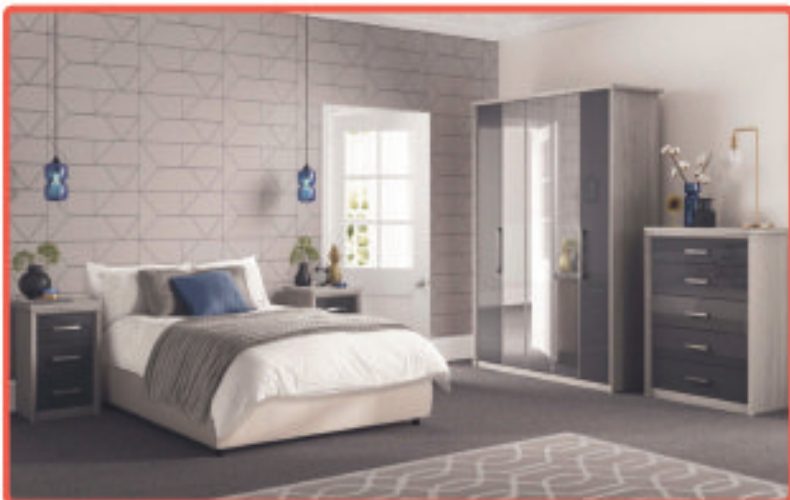
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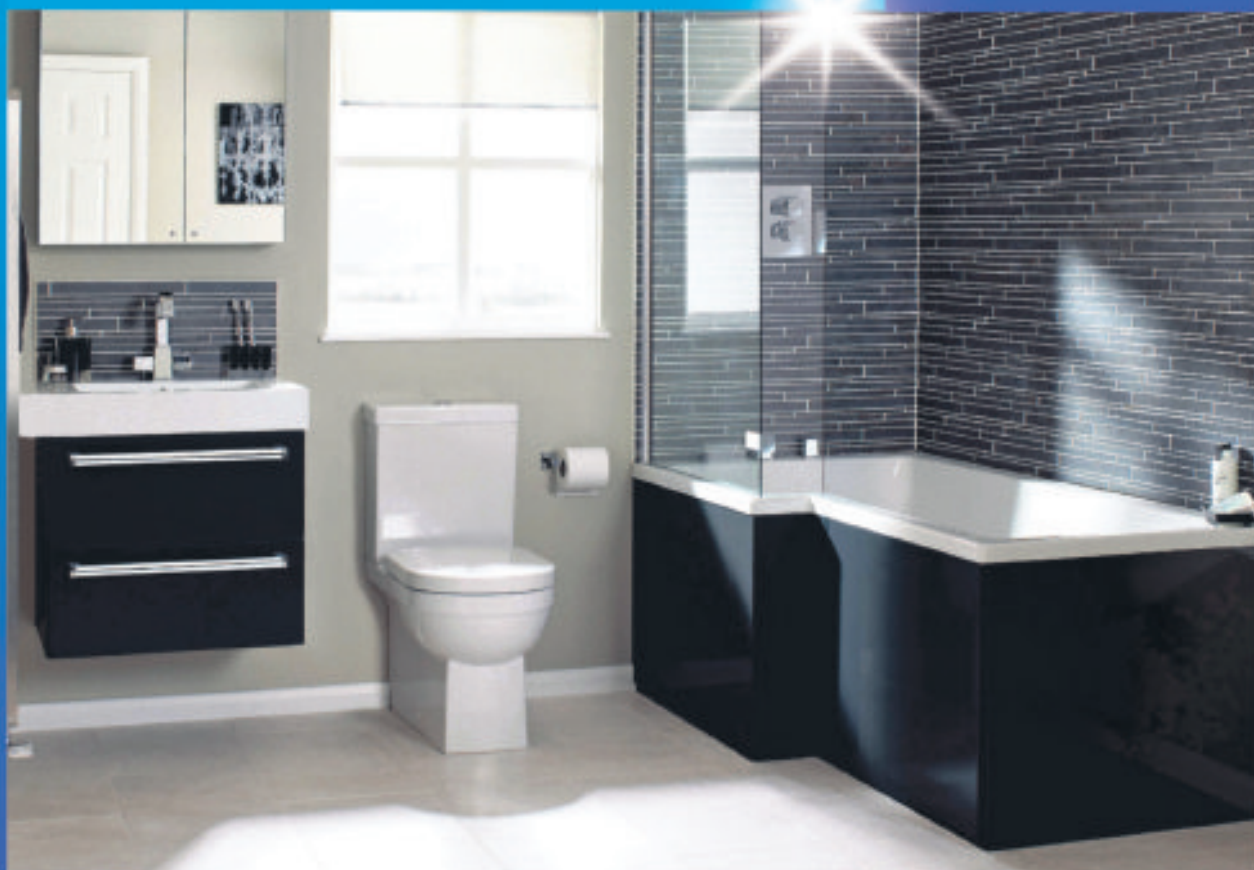
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**SUCCESS:** Cliffs Pavilion staff celebrate raising over £36,000 for charity

## Audiences at theatres raise cash for charity

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Southend Theatres revealed the figure, which was donated at its venues over the festive period.

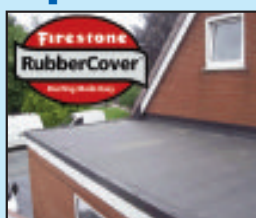
The traditional festive panto at the Cliffs Pavilion in Westcliff starred Ashley Banjo and Diversity in Aladdin.

Marketing manager Paul Driscoll said: "Our 2018/2019 pantomime Aladdin, starring Ashley Banjo and Diversity, broke many records last year and once again we have been impressed with the amazingly generous donations from our audiences in aid of Great

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## What if we get less than what we voted for?

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I wonder whether the projects will continue to get funds from the government if we are no longer in the EU.

There are obviously still no guarantees of what we will get in terms of a Brexit outcome.

But here's my concern; what if all those that voted for change, for control, for more money for our services, don't get any of what they voted for?

What if they end up with even less, courtesy of Brexit?

Already many EU nationals have decided to leave the UK, rather than continue to live with the uncertainty and, sadly for some, the feeling that the country somehow no longer values them.

We are already poorer for this as a nation, not just economically.

It's all well and good Theresa May delivering "the will of the people" in terms of leaving the EU. But what if, in doing so, she fails to act on any of the real

issues that people had at heart in their vote to leave and we are all left worse off?

What a waste of everyone's time and money.

*Kathy Trevorton  
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PLACES: Chase High School

## Plans approved for expansion

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Councillors on Southend Council's development control committee gave planning permission for a three-storey block at Chase High School in Prittlewell Chase.

The teaching block will include 14 classrooms, offices and a dining area.

A report before the meeting said the proposals would see the school increase pupil

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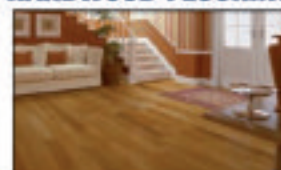
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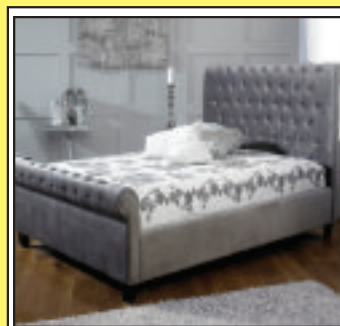
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# LIFESTYLE

## BACK ON HOME TURF

Wilko Johnson to play first home gig in more than five years

TRIO: Wilko Johnson with bassist Norman Watt-Roy (left) and drummer Dylan Howe (right)



by Lewis Berrill

features@yellowad.co.uk

**C**ANVEY Island's very own king of rock and roll, Wilko Johnson, is playing his first home-town gig in over five years. His new tour, following on from a sell-out 70th birthday show at the Royal Albert Hall, will roll into Southend Cliffs Pavilion on Friday, March 8.

Wilko is best known for his years as the guitarist in legendary band Dr Feelgood.

He is famed for pioneering a choppy and abrasive playing style, the "stab" as he describes it. The stab is a finger-style, chop-chord strumming action that allows for chords and lead to be played at the same time.

With this sharp and choppy sound, coupled with his iconic black-suit, scowling gaze, and stalking stage presence, Wilko became one of the guitar heroes of the 1970s.

Speaking to the *Yellow Advertiser*, Wilko acknowledged the gravity of his first performance in

Southend since he played at the Village Green festival in 2013.

"Well obviously it is always special, playing Southend. Right this moment I am just glad to be going back on the road," said Wilko.

The Village Green performance came after doctors diagnosed him with terminal cancer in 2012. He was told he had just 10 months to live. Wilko responded by embarking on a farewell tour and recording an album with The Who's Roger Daltrey.

In 2014 doctors, bemused as to how he was still alive, called him

in for tests. It was discovered that the cancer was not terminal and, following an 11-hour operation, Wilko was given the all-clear.

He has since gone on to play numerous shows and released *Blow You Away* in June last year, which he thinks is "the best album I have ever done."

"We recorded it in just 13 days. We did it all live without overdubbing or fiddling with it, which I think is really good for rock and roll. I did not want to try and be overly sophisticated," he explained.

"It's simply rock and roll with energy and lots of whizzing. You do not need a uni degree, it's very simple to understand and have a good time with."

The legendary guitarist says he is relieved to be back on the road again, doing what he knows and loves.

"It's good to be on the road with your mates, performing and having fun. It's easy to get apathetic at home."

"During the time off I just do not know what to do with myself, well go down the Railway really," he quipped, referring to the Railway Hotel pub, outside of which a painting of his face hangs.

Wilko, in his own words, is "just glad to be twanging again."

■ Tickets are available at: <https://southendtheatres.org.uk/Online/tickets-wilko-johnson-southend-2019>.

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## A PRIVATE WAR (15, 100 mins)

**O**SCAR-NOMINATED documentary Matthew Heineman makes an assured feature film directorial debut with a dramatisation of the life of foreign affairs correspondent Marie Colvin, who was killed in 2012 while covering the siege of Homs.

Her selfless crusade for the truth, regardless of the personal cost, flanked by photographer Paul Conroy was powerfully distilled in Christopher Martin's recent documentary *Under The Wire*.

*A Private War* stages a similar assault on our nerves, championing the vital role played by journalists in shining a light on moral outrages and injustice in a time of conflict.

Donning a black eye patch, which became Colvin's trademark after she lost the sight in one eye in a grenade blast in Sri Lanka, Rosamund Pike delivers a fearless and ferocious lead performance as a champion of civilian casualties.

"You've seen more war than most soldiers," observes Conroy, played with a wavering Liverpudlian accent by Jamie Dornan before the pair make their courageous intervention in Syria.

At its heart, Heineman's picture is an intimate psychological study that feels uncomfortably timely with civil war continuing to rage in Syria several years after Colvin's death.

That tragic sequence, which bookends the film, is orchestrated with verve and a pulse-quickenning combination of handheld camerawork and aerial photography, which captures the devastation of repeated shelling of a city which has already been reduced to smouldering rubble.

Colvin puts herself in the line of fire under the aegis of editor Sean Ryan (Tom Hollander) so she can open the eyes of readers to atrocities behind enemy lines.

In 2003, she recruits Conroy as her photographer and together they seek out important stories, including the Arab Spring

## IN THE ZONE

and an exclusive interview with Colonel Gaddafi (Raad Rawi).

Back home in England, Colvin seeks temporary sanctuary from her nightmares in the bed of wealthy businessman Tony Shaw (Stanley Tucci) but she is unwavering in her determination to glimpse horrors that would otherwise be buried.

"I see it so you don't have to," she reminds her editor.

When Syria attempts to block foreign journalists from covering the civil war, Colvin and Conroy enter the country without permission, living on their wits to avoid reprisals.

"If the government catches you, they'll kill you," Ryan warns his star reporter.

Anchored by Pike's gutsy portrayal, *A Private War* weaves between documented fact and artistic licence (Tucci's paramour is fictional) to underscore how one defiant voice can be heard clearly around the world through a cacophony of falling shells.

Arash Amel's script exposes Colvin's deep psychological wounds and the weight of responsibility she carried on broad shoulders far from home.

Annie Lennox's elegiac song *A Requiem For A Private War* is the final elegant pluck of our heartstrings.

**Released: February 15**  
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**JOURNALIST: Rosamund Pike as Marie Colvin**  
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## Sunday, February 17

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- Family service – Christ Church, Wickford, 10.30am.
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- Over-50s Keep-fit Classes – Fryerns Community Centre, Pat 01268 770294.
- Duplicate Bridge – Balmoral Bridge Club, Highlands Methodist Church, Olive Avenue, Leigh (opp Thames Drive), 11.5pm-4.30pm. 01702 343611 or 01702 520993.
- Duplicate Bridge – Thorpe Bay Bridge Club, 62 Southchurch Blvd, Southend, all standards, 2-4.45pm (no partner needed), 7.30-10.30pm, call Danny 07843 771774.
- Weekly Craft Workshop – St Peter's Church Hall, Thundersley, 6-8pm, Michelle 07730 582784.
- Basildon Players Amateur Dramatic Group – 8-10pm, Bowers and Pitsea Football Club, Crown Avenue, Pitsea. SS13 2BE. 07913 426371, [join@basildonplayers.co.uk](mailto:join@basildonplayers.co.uk).
- Zumba – Pitsea Day Centre Over-50s, Northlands Pavement, Pitsea, 9.15-10am. 01268 465432.
- Short Mat Bowls Club – Westwood School, Hadleigh, welcomes new members Monday and Wednesday evenings, Kevin 01268 792433.
- Short Mat Bowls, Thundersley, beginners welcome, details 01268 779174.
- Indoor Short Mat Bowls – Prittlewell Bowls Club, Priory Park, Southend, Ray 01268 777666.
- Indoor Bowls – George Hurd Centre, Audley Way, Basildon, for over-50s, Monday 2-4pm, 01268 465854.
- Whist – George Hurd Centre, Audley Way, Basildon, for over-50s, 10am to noon, details 01268 465854.
- Senior Citizens Club – Ghyllgrove Centre, Butneys, 1.30-3.30pm, 01268 293995.
- Evening of clairvoyance – 57 Point Road, Canvey, SS8 7TT, 3pm, £3 all profits to charity. Tel: 07922 001433 or 01268 691922.

- Fitness Walking – from Leigh Tennis Club, Highlands Boulevard, Leigh-on-Sea, 7.15-8.15pm. 01702 715509.
- Scrabble Club – Wesley Church Hall, Elm Road, Leigh Broadway, no partner needed, 7-10pm, £3, call 01268 727915.
- Hadleigh Castle Townswomen's Guild – Appliance Hall, Old Fire Station, High Street SS7 2PA, 1.30-3.30pm. Visitors £2.50.
- IT help sessions – Billericay Library, 10.30am to noon. Details 01277 624624.

## Tuesday, February 19

- Couples. Table tennis, snooker, 8-10pm, St Andrew's Church Hall, Ashingdon. Drop in or call 01702 548597.
- Painting class – The Studio, Glebelands Nursery, Hawkwell, Hockley, SS5 4JY. 10.30am-12.30pm. Details 01702 30717.
- Folk Music – The Hoy at Anchor Folk Club, Royal British Legion, 7/9 Northview Drive, Westcliff, 8pm. 01702 71511.
- Social Dance – 1.45pm, St Cedd's Church, Bridgewater Drive, Westcliff. Ballroom, sequence, Latin, 01702 618771.
- Evening of clairvoyance – St Cecilia's Christian Spiritualist Church, 9 Lord Roberts Avenue, Leigh-on-Sea, 7.15pm, £2.50.
- Craft Group – Oasis Coffee House, 189 Leigh Road, Leigh. 2.30-4pm. 01702 471873.
- Singles Social Group – The Mews, Nelson Mews off Clarence Road car park, Southend, age 50-plus, 8pm. 07970 432994.
- Singles Friendship Club for 50-plus – South Benfleet Social Club, 8.15pm, details Maureen 01268 692998.
- Vange Tots – Vange Community Centre, Vange Hill Drive, Vange, 9.30-11.30am, admission £1, 01268 498642.
- Table Top Sale – Outpatients Foyer, Southend Hospital, 9.30am-3pm, Breathe Easy Southend, supporting people with lung problems. 01702 258661.
- Little Lunchers Activity Club – St Michael's Church, Rayleigh, 11.45am-11.5pm.
- Pathfinders Blind and Partially Sighted Group – Fryerns Baptist Church, Whitmore Way, Basildon, SS14 2TJ, 9.30am-2pm.
- New and nearly new stall – outside St Martin's Church, Town Centre, Basildon, (if wet in church foyer), 10am to noon.
- Willows Park Short Mat Bowls Club requires new or experienced players – James Hornsby School, Laindon. First session free, call or text 07952 043456.
- Scrabble Club – Hockley Social Centre (rear of library), 8.30-10pm, first two visits free, 01702 205910.
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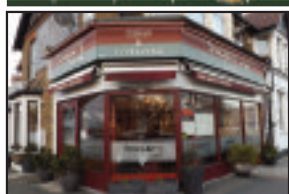
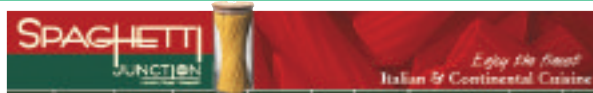
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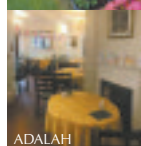
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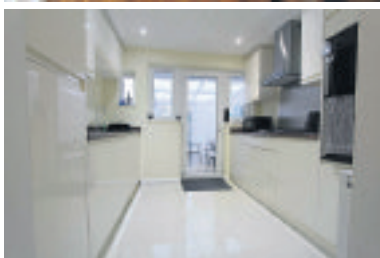
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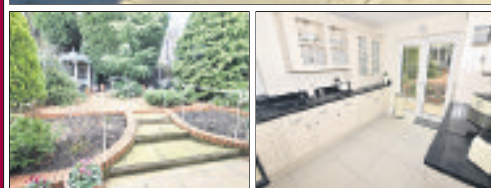
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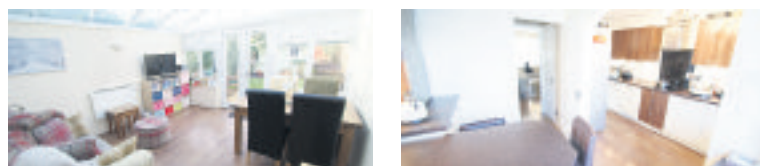
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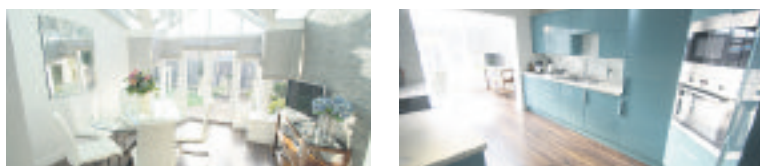
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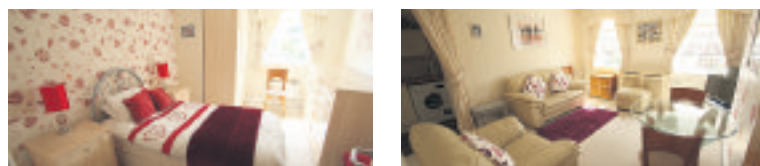
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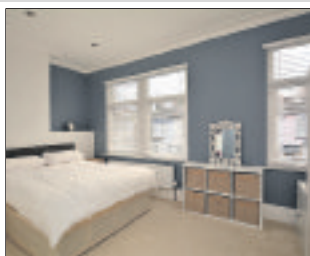
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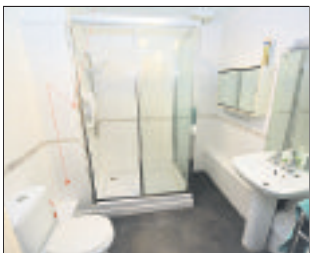
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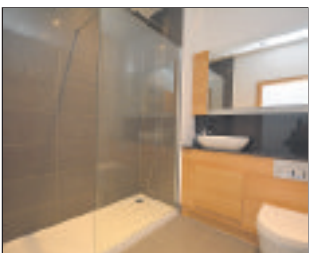
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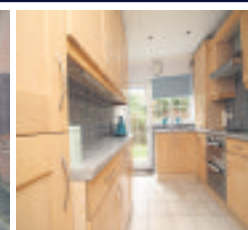


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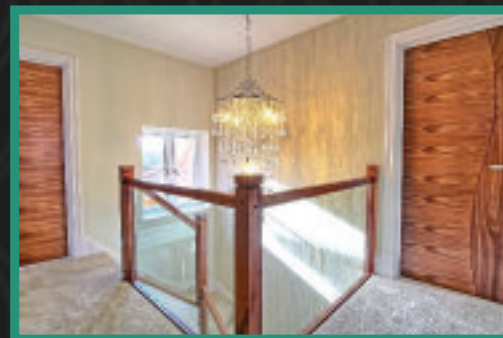
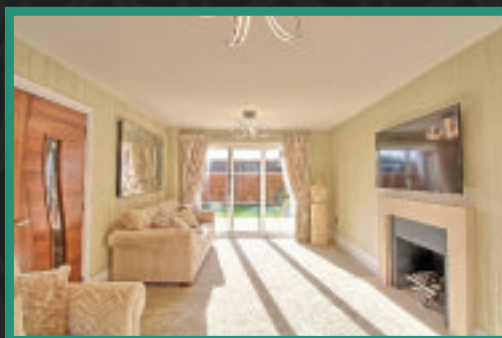
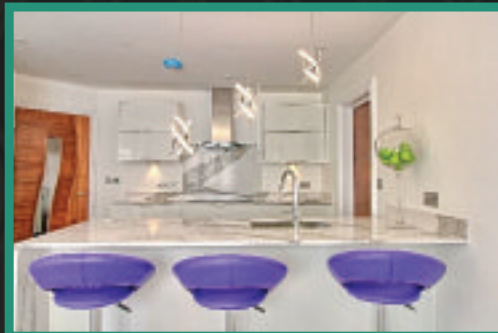
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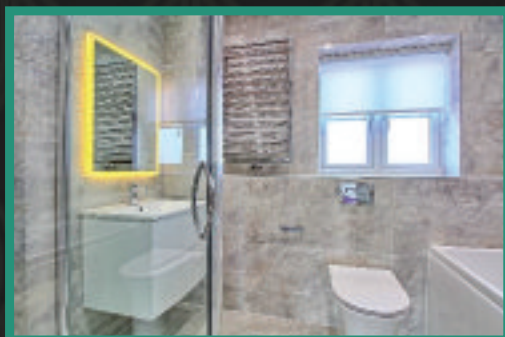


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## Private surge fails to stop decline

By Chris Russon

NEW car sales stayed in reverse in January despite a surge in private buyers changing their vehicles.

According to industry body, the Society of Motor Manufacturers and Traders, private car sales were up 2.9 per cent in the first month of the year and the demand for electric and hybrid models also continued an upward trend rising by 26.3 per cent.

However, business and fleet sales were down again by 33.5 and 3.4 per cent respectively leading to an overall decline of 1.6 per cent with 161,013 vehicles leaving forecourts.

SMMT chief executive Mike Hawes said the rise in private trade was welcome but called on the Government to do more to get drivers to switch to newer and cleaner cars.

With Brexit uncertainty still having an impact on car sales he said: "It's encouraging to see car registrations in January broadly on par with a year ago as the latest high tech models and deals attracted buyers into showrooms."

"This, however, is still the fifth consecutive month of overall decline in the market. To restore momentum,



**FIGURES: The Ford Fiesta remains the nation's favourite new car with 5,399 sales in January**

we need supportive policies, not least on vehicle taxation, to encourage buyers to invest in new, cleaner vehicles that best suit their driving needs – from the latest petrols and diesels to an ever growing range of

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"This would be good for the environment and good for the industry and those who depend on it."

The Ford Fiesta remained the nation's favourite new car notching up some 5,399 sales in January followed by the Ford Focus at 4,397 and the British-built Nissan Qashqai with 4,270 being registered.

Private buyers accounted for 71,378 sales in the first month of the year while demand for so-called alternatively fuelled vehicles rose again and now accounts for 6.8 per cent of the entire market.

The SMMT said that the alternative fuel sector was expected to grow by more than a quarter this year and would account for sales of almost 180,000 vehicles by the end of the year with almost a half of that number being ultra-low emission plug-in hybrids and battery electrics – taking plug-in market share to around 3.7 per cent as an ever-increasing number of models come on sale.

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THE BOROUGH OF SOUTHEND-ON-SEA  
 ((OFF-STREET PARKING PLACES) CONSOLIDATION ORDER 2005)  
 (AS AMENDED)  
 (AMENDMENT NO.1) ORDER 2019  
 ROAD TRAFFIC REGULATION ACT 1984  
 (AS AMENDED BY THE ROAD TRAFFIC ACT 1991)

**Notice is hereby given** that The Southend-on-Sea Borough Council proposes to make the above Order under Sections 1, 2, 4, 32, 33, 35, 35A, 35B, 35C, 39, 44 and 124 (and part IV of Schedule 9) of the Road Traffic Regulation Act 1984 ("the Act"), and The Road Traffic Act 1991 and of all other enabling powers, and after consultation with the Chief Officer of Police in accordance with Part III of Schedule 9 to the Act, of 1984 as amended by Part 6 of the Traffic Management Act 2004. The effect of which will amend the above-mentioned Consolidation Order by the additions and deletions as listed:

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**A. Griffin**  
 Chief Executive & Town Clerk

Civic Centre, Victoria Avenue, Southend-on-Sea, Essex, SS2 6ER

Dated: 13th February 2019

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The Borough of Southend-on-Sea ((Off-Street Parking Places) Consolidation Order 2005) (As amended) – Parking Areas for Which a Charge May be Made

No.	1	2	3	4	5
No.	Parking Place	Class of Vehicle	Manner of Parking	Charging Hours	Tariff
A1	<b>London Road North</b> On land to the rear of Nos 9 to 11 London Road	Private Motor Cars, motor cycles.	In conformity with layout	9am - 6pm Monday to Saturday 11am - 5pm Sunday <b>Max Stay 1 Hour</b> <b>No Return in 8 Hours</b> <b>Includes Blue Badge Holders</b>	Up to 30 mins 20p  Up to 1 hour 50p
A9	<b>Pitmans Close</b> On land adjacent to Chichester Road and Tylers Avenue	Private Motor Cars, motor cycles.	In conformity with layout	9am - 6pm Monday to Saturday 11am - 5pm Sunday <b>Max Stay 1 Hour</b> <b>No Return in 8 Hours</b> <b>Includes Blue Badge Holders</b>	Up to 30 min 20p  Up to 1 hour 50p

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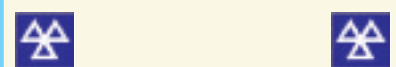
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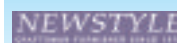
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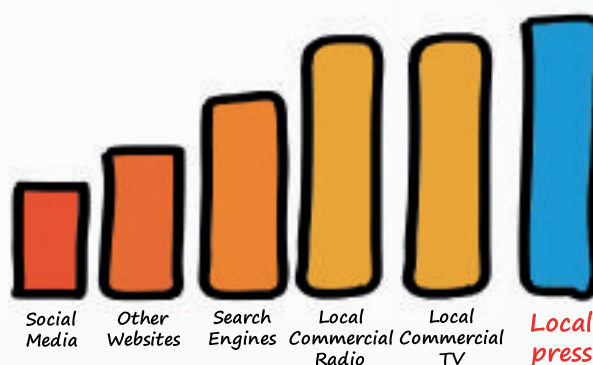
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# WILF POWER

## Hammers hold on for a point as Zaha and Palace pile on the pressure

### Football

by Brian Jeeves  
at Selhurst Park

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Crystal Palace 1-1 West Ham Utd  
WEST Ham survived a second-half bombardment to claim a share of the Premier League spoils from a well-contested London derby.

Despite a decent performance against Liverpool a week ago, Manuel Pellegrini was leaving nothing to chance, recognising the threat offered by Roy Hodgson's side.

"Crystal Palace has a very good squad, not just a team," the Chilean said. "They have maybe not got the results that they wanted so far."

Pellegrini selected the same starting 11 as the one that faced the Reds. Meanwhile, having lodged an appeal against his sending off picked up against Southampton, Palace were able to field Wilfried Zaha, boosting their chances of recording successive top-flight victories for only the second time during the campaign.

Opening exchanges were scrappy as both sides grappled with the breezy conditions. Vicente Guaita blocked Ryan Fredericks after Michail Antonio's pass had sent the former Fulham man clear. Then, the Palace stopper used his feet to thwart Robert Snodgrass as West Ham created the better of the early opportunities.

Lukasz Fabianski saved from James McArthur, while Javier Hernandez was unable to thread through a clutch of defenders after Felipe Anderson had picked him out.

But shortly before the half-hour mark, the Hammers were handed an opportunity to break the deadlock. Guaita was clumsy on Antonio, handing Mark Noble the opportunity to comfortably dispatch the resulting spot-kick.

Fabianski expertly saved from



**PENALTY: Mark Noble opens the scoring for West Ham from the spot**

Photo: Paul Harding/PA Wire

Christian Benteke, while Zaha was wayward as Palace – clearly rattled – probed for an immediate response.

McArthur was left hugely embarrassed, somehow missing the target from close range after finding himself clean through on goal, while Patrick van Aanholt fizzed over from distance as Palace stepped up the tempo after the interval.

Substitute Michy Batshuayi became the next Palace player guilty of a glaring miss – the Chelsea loanee dragging his right-footed attempt the wrong side of an upright after narrowly slipping the Hammers off-side trap.

But you sensed that the home side was in the ascendancy, and with a quarter of an hour remaining they restored parity. Zaha's attempt looped up awkwardly off Issa Diop, deceiving Fabianski and dropping into the net.

West Ham were hanging on – as they had for much of the half.

Fabianski saved superbly from

Zaha as the home side continued to smell blood. But the Hammers held firm, moving into tenth place ahead of the weekend's other fixtures.

After the game, Pellegrini said: "We played very well in the first 45. We scored a goal, we created other chances – Crystal Palace, they didn't have too many options."

"In the second half I think they had the possession of the ball. We tried to keep the result, but that was the mistake because the second half they really didn't have any problems in their box. Good players having such big possession – probably, they are scoring goals."

"They scored a very lucky goal – it was a deflection, but they dominated the game in the second 45 minutes."

Palace chief Roy Hodgson said: "I did think our performance, in particular the second half, was really good and I think it would have been a bit of a travesty if we'd got nothing from the game."

"Given the chances we've created

and the opportunities, given the number of times Fabianski had to make good saves or defenders had to make good blocks, I think the one goal we got was a pretty poor reward for our efforts."

West Ham return to Premier League action on Friday, February 22 when Fulham are the visitors to the London Stadium (7.45pm).

**Crystal Palace:** Vicente Guaita, Patrick van Aanholt, Luka Milivojevic (capt), Andros Townsend, Wilfried Zaha, Mamadou Sakho, Jeffrey Schlupp, Christian Benteke (Michy Batshuayi 60'), James McArthur (Max Mayer 79'), Aaron Wan-Bissaka, Martin Kelly Subs not used: Wayne Hennessey, Scott Dann, Jordan Ayew, Bakary Sako

**West Ham United:** Lukasz Fabianski, Aaron Cresswell Felipe Anderson, Robert Snodgrass, Mark Noble (capt), Javier Hernandez (Marko Arnautovic 68'), Angelo Ogbonna, Issa Diop, Ryan Fredericks (Pablo Zabaleta 84'), Michail Antonio (Pedro Obiang 73'), Declan Rice Subs not used: Adrian, Andy Carroll, Arthur Masuaku, Grady Diangana  
**Referee:** Craig Pawson  
**Assistants:** Lee Betts, Ian Hussin  
**Fourth Official:** Andy Woolmer  
**Attendance:** 25,552

## Ten-man Southend get some pride back

Charlton Ath 1-1 Southend Utd  
By Rowland Lyons at The Valley  
TEN-man Southend picked up an important Sky Bet League One point on boss Chris Powell's return to his old stamping-ground.

Dru Yearwood was sent-off after Stephen Humphrys had given the seashiders the lead, only for Ben Reeves to level after the interval.

Straight from the kick-off recalled Michael Lightly showed his intent by slicing open the Charlton defence and crossing for Simon Cox, who found Sam Mantom, whose drive flew inches over.

The Addicks hit back and Nathan Bishop did well to thwart Igor Vetokele's drive at the base of his near post, before Tariq Fosu blazed a presentable chance high and wide.

Both sides continued to trade blows, with Bishop working overtime. But, having spurned an ear-

ly chance, on-loan Humphrys fired Powell's men ahead, on 22 minutes.

There seemed to be no danger when Cox picked out the Fulham man and, after a couple of touches, he let fly with a 25-yard effort, that took a wicked deflection and sailed over a stranded Dillon Phillips.

Soon after Yearwood was heading for an early bath after a mid-field challenge that left former Blues loanee Ben Reeves in agony.

Mantom was inches away from increasing the Blues' lead, with a set-piece, from the edge of the box, after Blackburn loanee, Sam Hart, had done well to win a free-kick on a Cox-inspired breakaway.

Naby Sarr then blazed over, as Charlton tried to press home their numerical superiority, before Blues Taylor Moore denied Vetokele with a brave clearance.

Humphrys was unlucky not to

double his tally, on the stroke of half-time when Bishop's almighty kick saw Charlton's Krystian Bielik misjudge the bounce, only to recover and make a desperate clearance.

Blues had to soak up considerable pressure after the break, but on 54 minutes Humphrys persistence fashioned out a chance for Mantom, only for the schemer to fire well over.

That miss proved costly as Charlton levelled barely four minutes later when a Marshall cross found Reeves, whose close-range header crossed the line via the far post.

With half an hour remaining it was almost one-way traffic with Bishop denying Bielik and Williams. But, Southend weathered the storm and could have nicked an unlikely win, with sub Michael Klass wasting a couple of late opportunities.

Powell said: "I would have liked all three points, but we had to be resili-

ent to get the draw."

The former Charlton boss added: "It was a performance our supporters should be proud of as we let ourselves down last week. I thought we got a lot of that back today."

Southend face Portsmouth at Roots Hall, on Saturday (12.30pm).  
**Charlton Athletic:** Dillon Phillips, Krystian Bielik, Chris Solly (capt), Naby Sarr, Ben Purrrington (Josh Parker 46), Mark Marshall (George Lapslie 90), Tariq Fosu, Ben Reeves (Reeco Hackett-Fairchild 81), Josh Cullen, Igor Vetokele, Jonny Williams, Anfernee Dijkstel, Toby Stevenson.

**Southend United:** Nathan Bishop, Elvis Bwomono, Taylor Moore, John White, Sam Hart (Michael Turner 71), Sam Mantom (capt), Timothee Dieng, Dru Yearwood (sent off 26), Michael Lightly (Stephen McLaughlin 64), Stephen Humphrys (Michael Klass 86), Simon Cox. Subs (not used): Ted Smith, Harry Lennon, Charlie Kelman, Isaac Hutchinson.  
**Referee:** Simon Hooper  
**Assistants:** Scott Ledger, Neil Davies  
**Fourth Official:** Lee Swabey  
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### Non-league football

## Strugglers Town shock Salford

BOTTOM of the table Braintree Town provided the National League's shock result of the weekend by beating high-flying Salford City at Cressing Road.

Callum Morton's dramatic goal three minutes into stoppage-time proved to be enough for the Iron, although they still remain at the foot of the table, a point below Maidstone United.

League leaders Leyton Orient were held to a 1-1 draw at another former Football League club, Hartlepool United. Jobi McAnuff handed the O's the lead midway through the opening period. But Nicke Kabamba restored parity just before the interval.

It could have been worse for Orient, goalkeeper Dean Brill produced a superb penalty save to deny Liam Noble a winner for the Monkey Hangers.

Elsewhere in the National League, Dagenham & Redbridge slipped to a 1-0 defeat at Wrexham – substitute Stuart Beavon with the all-important strike a 15 minutes from time.

Billerica Town won a thrilling National South clash with Truro City 3-2 at the AGP Arena. Moses Emmanuel bagged a brace for the hosts, while Sam Deering was also on target for the Blues. Nicholas Grimes hit both of the West Countrymen's goals.

East Thurrock Utd were beaten by three unanswered goals at Woking, while the games between Torquay United and Chelmsford City, and Gloucester City v Concord Rangers were both claimed by the wet conditions.

Enfield Town beat Burgess Hill Town 3-1 at Donkey Lane. Billy Bricknell scored twice for the home side, while Karl Oliyiye added another for the winners. But it proved to be a tough afternoon for AFC Hornchurch who were beaten 2-0 at Bognor Regis Town.

Bowers & Pitsea continued their relentless quest for the Bostik North title with a 3-0 win over Witham Town at the Len Salmon Stadium. David Knight scored twice for Bowers and Quentin Monville hit a third.

Maldon & Tiptree remain second after a notable 3-1 win at fellow promotion hopefuls, Aveley. Jorome Slew (2') and a Harry Gibbs own-goal confirmed the Jammers victory. Firmin Ngandu responded late on for the Millers from the penalty spot.

Tyler Brampton (2) and Tevan Allen scored for Coggeshall Town in a 3-1 success over Romford – Nick Reynolds with the visitors' consolation. Meanwhile, Lewis Smith (pen), Mitchell Gilbey and Thomas Barton found the net as Tilbury eased past Canvey Island 3-0.

Great Wakering Rovers and Grays Athletic played out an entertaining 2-2 draw at Burroughs Park. Jake Gordon scored twice for Rovers, one from the spot, while Mitchell Hahn and Adalberto Pinto replied for the visitors.

Tony Stokes (2) and Mitchel Hunter scored Brentwood Town's goals in a 3-3 draw at Soham Town Rangers, while a Matthew Price strike earned Heybridge Swifts a point against Mildenhall Town at the Aspen Waite Arena.

Barking went down 5-2 at Dereham Town – Nana Boakye-Yiadom and Joseph Oluwatobi scoring for the east Londoners. And there was a 4-2 defeat for Basildon United at Bury Town – Matthew Brinklow and Rhys Fatt replying late in the game for the beaten Bees.

Several Essex Senior League matches were lost to the weather. However, there were plenty of goals in the games that survived.

Stanway Rovers eased to a 3-0 success over struggling Southend Manor at Southchurch Park. Ilford edged out Sawbridgeworth Town by the odd goal in five at the Cricklefield Stadium and there was a 3-1 triumph for St Margaretsbury over Leyton Athletic.

A single goal was enough for Walthamstow to beat Stansted, and it was the same outcome at Takeley, where Enfield 1893 were the victors.



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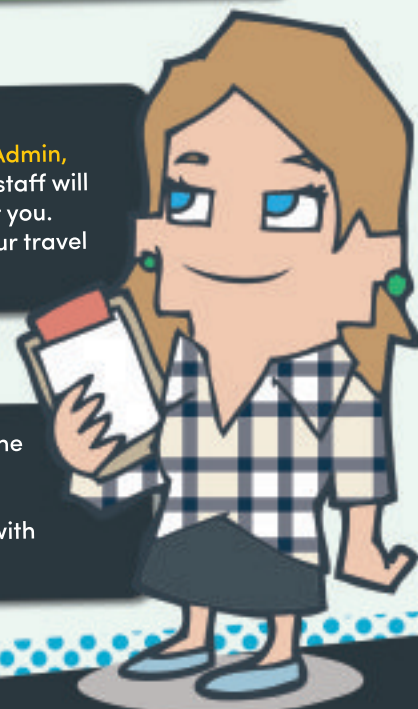
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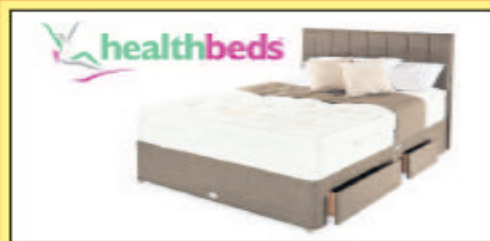
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